## **RANGE Grant SCORING RUBRIC**

Applicants must score a minimum of 50 points (not including bonus points) for funding consideration.

CATEGORIES	HIGHEST SCORE (20 PTS)	HIGH SCORE (15 PTS)	MEDIUM SCORE (10 PTS)	LOW SCORE (5 PTS)	LOWEST SCORE (0 PTS)
Category 1: Project Impact (20 points)	The project significantly facilitates greater adoption of broadband infrastructure under the Retrofit Program, improves broadband access for residents, demonstrating strong potential for economic, educational, and social benefits.	The project expands adoption of broadband infrastructure under the Retrofit Program, broadband access to most residents but lacks some clarity on long-term benefits or reach.	The project expands adoption of broadband infrastructure under the Retrofit Program, broadband access to some underserved populations but lacks clarity on long-term benefits or reach.	The project has limited impact on adoption of broadband infrastructure under the Retrofit Program, broadband expansion or lacks sufficient evidence of addressing digital inequities.	The project does not adequately describe impact.
Category 2: Feasibility and Readiness (20 points)	The proposal includes a clear implementation plan, technical feasibility, and a realistic timeline.	The proposal includes a clear implementation plan, but may lack some clarify on technical feasibility and timeline.	The project is viable but may face minor challenges in execution.	The project lacks a clear implementation strategy or faces significant feasibility concerns.	The project is not feasible.
Category 3: Community Engagement and Partnerships (20 points)	The project involves strong community partnerships and demonstrates active engagement with residents.	The project demonstrates engagement with residents but lacks some clarity regarding process.	Some methods for partnerships and community input are present but not fully developed.	There is minimal to no evidence of community involvement or partnerships.	There are no community engagement activities.
Category 4: Cost- Effectiveness and Budget Justification (20 points)	The budget is well- justified, demonstrating efficient use of funds to maximize broadband access.	The budget is reasonably well justified but lacks certain amounts of specificity	The budget is reasonable but lacks detailed justification or optimization.	The budget is unclear, excessive, or does not align with project goals.	The budget is in accurate or otherwise out of alignment with program activities.

Category 5: Outcomes and Evaluation (10 points)	The project demonstrates a well-defined plan for tracking the impact of this project.	The project demonstrates a well-defined plan for tracking the impact of this project but has minor weaknesses or issues.	The project includes some monitoring efforts but lacks a structured long-term strategy.	The project includes some monitoring efforts but has significant weaknesses or lacks substantial detail.	The project does not outline plans for future monitoring or data collection.		
Category 6: Federal and State Grant Experience (10 points)	The applicant demonstrates a high level of experience in administering federal or state funds.	The applicant demonstrates experience in administering federal or state funds but has minor gaps in relevant experience.	The applicant demonstrates experience in administering federal or state funds, but there are questions as to the capacity of the organization to adequately administer funds.	The applicant has limited experience in administering federal or state funds.	The applicant has no experience administering federal or state funds.		
Bonus (5 points)	The project is in a Qualified Census Tract (QCT).						
Bonus (up to 15 points)	For each community benefit that ISP is not providing, 5 points will be awarded.						
Total Possible Score : 100 Points + 25 Bonus points							